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1. SALTER HAS TOLD A MISSION OFFICER THAT THE DRAFTING OF THE COMMUNICATION ON THE CHARTER WAS COMPLETED OCT. 24. THE DOCUMENT IS NOW ON THE DESK OF WELLENSTEIN, THE EC COMMISSION'S DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS.IF HE APPROVES IT--WHICH SALTER EX-
PECTS HIM TO DO DURING THE COURSE OF FRIDAY,
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MISSIONERS.

2. AS DRAFTED, THE COMMUNICATION MAKES THREE MAIN POINTS:

(A) THE COMMUNITY SHOULD REMAIN UNITED ON THIS ISSUE;

(B) IF THE CHARTER IS PUT TO A VOTE WITH THE EXPECTED OBJECTIONABLE PASSAGES, MEMBER STATES SHOULD VOTE "NO" ON THE CHARTER AS A WHOLE AS WELL AS AGAINST INDIVIDUAL CLAUSES;

(C) THE US GOVERNMENT WILL IN ANY CASE TAKE THIS COURSE OF ACTION.

3. SALTER SAID THAT OTHER ITEMS CROWDED DISCUSSION OF THE CHARTER OFF THE COMMITTEE OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES' AGENDA ON OCT. 23, BUT THAT IT DEFINITELY WOULD BE DISCUSSED OCT. 30.

4. SALTER URGED THAT THE USG ASK COLIN KEITH, AS CHAIRMAN, TO CALL A MEETING OF GROUP B COUNTRIES IN GENEVA AROUND NOVEMBER 20. IN SALTER'S VIEW COUNTRIES WILL AT THAT TIME HAVE TO DECIDE HOW TO PROCEED, EVEN THOUGH IN ALL PROBABILITY A FINAL TEXT OF THE CHARTER WILL NOT THEN BE AVAILABLE.
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